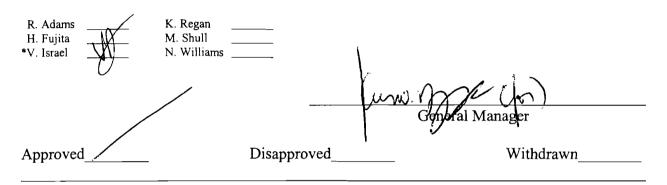
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SUBJECT: KABOOM! LET'S PLAY SPRUCE GRANT PROGRAM – RETROACTIVE AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS TO ENHANCE OR IMPROVE PLAYSPACES; ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS



RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

- 1. Retroactively approve the submission of Let's Play Spruce grant applications to KaBOOM! for funds to further enhance or improve Department of Recreation and Parks (Department) playspaces in the amount of \$750 per awarded playspace, subject to Mayor and City Council approval;
- 2. Direct staff to transmit a copy of the grant applications to the Mayor, Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), and to the City Clerk for committee and City Council consideration before accepting and receiving the grant award(s), pursuant to the Administrative Code Section 14.6 et seq. as may be amended;
- 3. Authorize the Department's General Manager to accept and receive the Let's Play Spruce grant, if awarded, to further enhance or improve Department playspaces, subject to the approval of the Mayor and City Council; and,
- 4. Designate the Department's General Manager, Executive Officer, or Assistant General Manager, as the agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the project.

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SUMMARY:

In December 2011, KaBOOM!, a national non-profit whose mission is to create great playspaces through the participation and leadership of communities, in partnership with the Dr. Pepper Snapple Group, invited the Department to apply for the Let's Play Spruce grant. The application was due by February 29, 2012. The Department submitted the Let's Play Spruce grant applications on February 29, 2012.

The Let's Play Spruce grants are designed to reward communities that have maintained and "spruced" their playspaces since their playground was built. Communities must demonstrate that they have maintained their playspaces and they have led an improvement project within the last 12 months. Communities that demonstrate this will receive a \$750 gift card for each eligible playspace to further enhance or improve their playspaces.

The Department is requesting the grant to fund further enhancements or improvements at the following locations: Eagle Rock Recreation Center (CD 14), Glassell Park Recreation Center (CD 13), Harbor City Recreation Center (CD 15), Lake Street Park (CD 13) and Seoul International Park (CD 10).

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

If the grant is awarded, there is no fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund.

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